

# Weekly Weather Crop Report

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There were 3.1 days suitable for fieldwork last week. The main farming activities for the week included: planting rice, cotton and soybeans; field preparation for planting other crops; and some early hay being harvested. Some counties reported that producers will replant crops due to cool weather and damage caused by heavy rains. Farmers need warm, dry weather in order to resume planting.

Progress In Percentages					Conditions in Percentages				
Crop	Event	1995	1994	5-Yr Avg	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	Planted	90	91	73	8	7	29	46	10
	Emerged	75	75	60					
Cotton	Planted	27	73	33	22	32	38	8	
	Emerged	6	40	18					
Rice	Planted	80	93	41		1	12	67	20
	Emerged	50	64	25					
Sorghum	Planted	47	65	42	4	6	26	61	3
	Emerged	35	46	30					
Soybeans	Planted	20	23	6	5	14	18	58	5
	Emerged	13	12	2					
Wheat	Heading	91	95	81	1	5	39	49	6
	Mature	1	2	4					
Hay	Harvested	8	8	3					
Peanuts	Planted	38	76	27					
Sweetpotatoes	Planted	3	0	7					
Watermelons	Planted	69	80	71		3	28	61	8
Blueberries							16	53	31
Livestock					1	3	22	59	15
Pasture					1	6	26	53	14

Soil Moisture In Percentages									
	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil		2	53	45	Subsoil		2	63	35

## County Agent Comments

"We were lucky and only received about 2 to 3 inches of rain. We are starting to get back in the fields and finish up rice planting. We have some cotton up and it looks fairly good considering the weather."

— Charlie Estess, Coahoma County

"Ten days of wet conditions have farmers discouraged after getting off to a good start. Cotton and soybeans are struggling to come up to a good stand."

— Don Respass, Quitman County

"Heavy rains Sunday along with cool temperatures this week have prevented good cotton emergence. Most of the cotton planted will probably be replanted. Cool temperatures have slowed spring growth on pastures."

— Mike Howell, Calhoun County

"Wet, cold weather has delayed cotton planting. Early planted corn is not growing well. Pastures have improved since the 3+ inches of rain. Soil temperatures ranged from 48 degrees to 58 degrees -- too cold for normal seed emergence. Boll weevil counts are from 0-20/acre."

— Dalton G. Garner, Prentiss County

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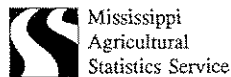
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Weather Summary from April 24, 1995 to April 30, 1995 For Mississippi

District/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				4 Inch Soil Temperature			Ave Pan Evap
	Max	Min	Ave	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks	Max	Min	Ave	
1. Upper Delta													
Clarksdale	77	45	59	66	-8	1.32	+0.09	2	5.78	73	54	64	0.13
Cleveland	81	45	60			0.23		1	5.36				
Tunica	75	43	56	65	-9	0.00	-1.23	0	3.72	75	58	65	0.11
Extreme/Average	81	43	58	66	-7	0.52	-0.71	1	4.95	75	54	64	0.12
2. North-Central													
Holly Springs	75	38	56	63	-7	0.04	-1.21	1	2.76	77	56	65	0.12
Memphis				66		0.85	-0.42	2	4.11				
Oxford	77	39	58	64	-6	0.06	-1.21	1	3.97				
Extreme/Average	77	38	57	63	-6	0.32	-0.94	1	3.61	77	56	65	0.12
3. Northeast													
Booneville	75	43	58	64	-6	0.99	-0.32	2	4.69				
Corinth	75	41	57	65	-8	0.01	-1.16	1	5.16				
Iuka	76	37	55			1.06		2	6.03				
Pontotoc	74	42	58	64	-7	0.02	-1.22	1	6.46	78	55	65	0.12
Tupelo				65		0.00	-1.10	0	5.34				
Verona	75	43	59			0.02		1	6.46	72	54	62	0.13
Extreme/Average	76	37	57	64	-7	0.35	-0.86	1	5.69	78	54	63	0.12
4. Lower Delta													
Belzoni	77	44	60	68	-8	0.10	-1.10	1	10.09	84	61	70	
Greenwood				67		0.00	-1.21	0	11.50				
Rolling Fork	78	45	59			0.00	-1.25	0	11.51	82	65	72	0.13
Stoneville													
Yazoo City	80	44	62	68	-6	1.74	+0.43	2	11.86				
Extreme/Average	80	44	60	68	-8	0.46	-0.78	1	11.24	84	61	71	0.13
5. Central													
Carthage	79	41	59	66	-7	0.00	-1.24	0	10.18				
Jackson				68		0.00	-1.04	0	8.48				
Winona	78	38	56	64	-7	0.15	-1.13	1	3.39				
Extreme/Average	79	38	58	65	-7	0.05	-1.14	0	7.35				
6. East-Central													
Brooksville						0.86	-0.48	1	6.20				
Columbus						0.07		1	7.78				
State University				66		1.00	-0.33	1	5.24				
Extreme/Average						0.64	-0.70	1	6.41				
7. Southwest													
Crystal Springs						0.00		0	8.05				
Natchez	82	44	62	70	-8	0.00	-1.16	0	8.65				
Oakley	79	42	61			0.07	-0.92	1	7.89	82	54	67	
Vicksburg						0.02		1	10.62				
Extreme/Average	82	42	61	70	-8	0.02	-1.06	1	8.80	82	54	67	
8. South-Central													
Columbia	83	46	64	70	-6	0.01	-1.00	1	3.86				
McComb				68		0.00	-1.26	0	9.02				
Extreme/Average	83	46	64	70	-6	0.01	-1.13	1	6.44				
9. Southeast													
Beaumont						0.00		0	4.88				
Hattiesburg	86	46	65	70	-5	0.00	-0.95	0	5.52				
Laurel				68		0.00	-1.06	0	4.22				
Meridian				67		0.00	-1.16	0	6.07				
Newton	77	40	58	66	-8	0.02	-1.09	1	7.20	74	54	63	0.11
Extreme/Average	86	40	61	68	-7	0.00	-1.07	0	5.58	74	54	63	0.11
10. Coastal													
Bay St. Louis	82	46	63			1.28		1	13.00				
Biloxi				71		1.53	+0.70	1	3.23				
Gulfport	80	50	65	71	-6	0.00	-1.06	0	9.08				
Pascagoula	82	49	64	71	-8	1.18	+0.48	1	7.42				
Poplarville	80	47	62	70	-8	0.00	-1.00	0	7.21	82	60	70	0.13
Extreme/Average	82	46	64	71	-7	0.80	-0.10	1	7.89	82	60	70	0.13
State	86	37	60	67	-7	0.32	-0.85	1	6.81	84	54	66	0.12

Abbreviations: DFN = Departure from Normal;

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